

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) on AB 1010 Continuing Education Requirements

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Governor Newsom signed Assembly Bill 1010 into law on September 16, 2021. It requires California architects to complete five (5) hours of continuing education (CE) coursework regarding zero net carbon design (ZNCD) for all license renewals on or after January 1, 2023.

When do the ZNCD coursework requirements begin?

All licensees who are renewing their license after January 1, 2023, are required to self-certify completion of five (5) hours of continuing education on zero net carbon design.

Is disability access continuing education (CE) still a requirement?

Yes. All licensees renewing their license after January 1, 2023, are required to complete five (5) hours of CE on zero net carbon design in addition to five (5) hours of CE on disability access requirements for a total of 10 CE hours.

How do I certify completion of ZNCD coursework?

Licensees will continue to certify on their renewal applications that they have completed the required CE coursework.

What documentation should I maintain in case of an audit by the Board?

Licensees must maintain records documenting completion of the required coursework. Records must include the following:

- Course title
- Subjects covered
- Name of provider
- Name of educator/trainer
- Date of completion
- Number of hours completed
- Statement about the trainer/educator's knowledge and experience

Are any courses or providers approved by the Board?

The Board does not provide, endorse, or pre-approve any continuing education courses or providers. Licensees must determine if the completed course meets the requirements of [Assembly Bill 1010](#).

When will clarifying regulations be established?

The Board will promulgate regulations to establish qualifications for courses and course providers by July 1, 2024.